

CHAMAESARACHA VILLOSA NEW TO TEXAS —

While identifying a rather large collection of specimens from the Chinati Mountains of west Texas, (as a research participant in botany under the NSF sponsored program at Oklahoma State University) I noticed a rather unusual specimen of *Chamaesaracha*. This specimen (*Scudday 372*) proved to be *Chamaesaracha villosa* Rydberg, as determined by Dr. U. T. Waterfall of Oklahoma State University. The specimen was found growing in gravelly alluvium and sand beside the Marfa-Ruidosa road about two and one-half miles north of Ruidosa. It is deposited in the herbarium of Oklahoma State University. Associated species collected from the same site were *Tetraclea Coulteri* Gray, *Physalis hederacfolia* Gray var. *hederacfolia*, and *Jatropha dioica* Sesse ex Cerv. var. *graminea* McVaugh.

This species of *Chamaesaracha* was described from collections made in Coahuila, Mexico (Rydberg, 1895). It is not included in the checklist of Texas plants (Gould, 1962). The addition of this species to the flora of Texas is hereby noted.

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